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Letter dated 25 August 2010 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I am very grateful that the Security Council today held an important debate on the report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 1918 (2010) (S/2010/394).

I welcome the presidential statement (S/PRST/2010/16) which was agreed by the Security Council and I am pleased to note the welcome for my intention to appoint a Special Adviser on legal issues related to piracy off the coast of Somalia. I have the honour to inform you that I have requested Mr. Jack Lang (France) to serve in this role.

I am asking Mr. Lang to identify any additional steps that can be taken to achieve and sustain substantive results in prosecuting piracy. Mr. Lang will coordinate closely with the Office of Legal Affairs and the Department of Political Affairs.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) **BAN** Ki-moon

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